MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OLD DENABY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 23 JANUARY 2024

Members present: Councillor L Wells (in the Chair) Councillor A Courtney Councillor P Hilton Councillor S Tippett

Officer present: C McRoy, Clerk to the Parish Council

Matters raised by members of the public- None

37. To receive apologies and consider acceptance of reasons for absence. 1 apology was received. **RESOLVED:** The reason for absence given by Councillor Cocksedge was approved by Council.

38. To consider the extent, if any, to which the public and press are to be excluded from the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. No public or press were present.

39. To approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 16th November 2023 as a true record. **RESOLVED:** The minutes of the Council Meeting of 2023 were agreed as a true record following the addition of a missing attendee's name and were signed by the Chair of the Council.

40. To consider Parish Council Draft Budget 2024/25 and approve a Budget for 2024/25. Members considered and discussed the draft budget in detail. It was noted that the income would be less than outgoings for the year, and that members wished to use Council reserves to fund the difference.

RESOLVED: The draft budget was adopted by Council.

ALSO RESOLVED: Clerk to cancel the Council's monthly HP printer scheme

41. To decide upon a Parish Precept request amount for 2024/25. Members considered the 2024/25 budget requirements and also reviewed the impact of the reduction in council tax base for the Parish.

RESOLVED: Council to request a precept of £3,500 for 2024/25, the same amount as the previous year, which will equate to an increase of £0.19 for the year for a Band D <u>property-due to</u> the tax base change.

<u>**42**.</u> To confirm receipt of a Clerk's report.

- 1. Village Field access- surface issue. Discussed with CDC staff and awaiting further update.
- 2. Chased up matter of other potential traffic control measures and improvements to traffic signage- matter ongoing.
- 3. Researched lamppost poppies- available at ± 5 each from Royal British Legion- Council decision required whether to purchase and how many required.
- 4. Chased up issues with village blocked gullies.
- 5. Bin requests passed through to CDC.
- 6. No further detailed information available yet regarding Manor planning application.

7. Quotes requested for formal defibrillator use training for the Parish. Defibrillator information put on website.

Members discussed the report content in detail. The Clerk was instructed to explain, pursue and resolve a grant funding issue also raised under this item.

RESOLVED: Clerk to continue chasing traffic control measures via Ward members, report continued flooding and report issue with new bin near railway bridge.

43. To consider Council providing funding towards The Green community project. Members discussed the likely scope and timescale of the volunteer project.

RESOLVED: To provide Section 137 funding of up to ± 300 for works required that are notified in advance of works commencing.

44. Financial matters-

44.1 To approve payment of invoices.

RESOLVED: Payment to be made for the following: Zurich-Council insurance 2024-25 £206.08, printing £6.98, Microsoft 365 Nov 23-Jan 24 £37.08, mobile phone charges for December and January £12.00 and staff costs.

44.1 To receive and accept a bank reconciliation. **RESOLVED:** The reconciliation was accepted

45 To agree dates of the remaining Council meetings scheduled for 2024. RESOLVED: Council meeting dates were set as follows:

- Thursday 21st March Thursday 16th May
- Thursday 18th July -Thursday 19th September
- Thursday 21st November

46 To agree any matters for referral to other bodies.

RESOLVED: The Clerk to report fly tipping issues to both Doncaster and Rotherham Councils, and re-report ongoing issues with railway bridge to Network Rail.

Date: 21 March 2024